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Dear Hal:

There's not been much activity of late but I thought I'd write you and send you copies of items of interest.

First, note the letter I sent to Prof. Ed Cray (he's the author of the new book on Earl Warren - I had sent you the chapter he did on the Warren Commission. My letter to Cray had only 3 brief questions and his reply to me was even briefer. In effect, he didn't really answer any of my questions. Instead, he refers me to see the UCLA archives where Cray's work is stored. I wouldn't mind doing that but I'll have to do it when I have vacation time & can get to L.A. You'll note that in his reply to me, he misspelled Specter's name (& Cray is supposed to be an historian!).

I was especially interested in my question #2 about the "slightly less than 8 seconds" statement. The L.A. archives might contain who precisely made this comment for it can't be that Cray made it up. Whoever said it is in deep-doo-doo & Cray probably doesn't understand the significance of it. It's on a par with his statement in the chapter that it made no difference for the Warren Commission to establish which shots were fired & when. Cray's ignorance on this is

so obvious to anyone knowledgeable that it makes his "scholarship" utterly lacking. But this is what evidently passes for "history" these days.

The other item enclosed is my article which appeared in the latest "Fourth Decade". I've received one letter from a woman (which I've enclosed). I'm sure there'll be a negative reaction, too, but so far I've heard nothing on that score. I could've written a lot more on their books but space limitations had to be considered.

Anyway, let me know how you're doing & I do hope the weather will present no problems for you out there. Here in California the damage has been in the millions which I'm sure you've read about. During all this rainy weather I've experienced no hardship where I live — the only inconvenience is the heavy rainfall but that, of course, one can live through.

Best,
Hal Verb